WELCOME TO
THE PREAKNESS REFORMED CHURCH

THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 8, 2026 at 10:00 AM



"Idolatry isn't always obvious but it always competes for the throne of our hearts. Idols are anything we trust in, chase after, or elevate above God and Joshua's words still stand: 'Put them away... and serve the Lord.'"

-Nate Brasells, Christian Author

Congregation standing, as able

GIVING PRAISE AND GLORY TO GOD

PRELUDE Prelude in E Minor Op. 28, No. 4 F. Chopin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP - based on Psalm 78

Listen, God's people, to what we have heard and known,
What our ancestors have told us.

We will not hide it from our children.
We will tell the next generation the glorious deeds of the Lord.

So that they may set their hope in God,
And not forget God's works. Come, let us worship!

OPENING SONG OF PRAISE **405** "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" ST. ANNE
(verses 1-4)

SALUTATION

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (The children are invited to Sunday school at this time.)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FOR RENEWAL

Everlasting God, we say we want to see you, we say we want to know you, we say we want to serve you, but we also do not want to put in the work. We do not want to prepare for your coming by working for your kingdom on this earth. We do not keep alert for signs of you among us, so we schedule you in for an hour or so on Sundays. Forgive us. Inspire us to put our faith to action. Surprise us with your presence so we might learn to always be ready for you to arrive…

(continue with silent prayers of confession)

WORDS OF GRACE AND FORGIVENESS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you!
And also with you!

(Please share the peace of Christ with one another.)

ANTHEM "The Lord Is My Shepherd" Psalm 23, Allen Pote

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-27

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE "Set in Stone"

RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS

SONG OF RESPONSE **521** "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" NETTLETON

STEWARDSHIP WITNESS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE…concluding with the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

CLOSING SONG **250** “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation” WESTMINSTER ABBEY

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Assisting God’s people in worship are Pastor Kim Pavlovich and Pastor Eric Nichols, worship leaders; David Parish, liturgist; Mike De Block, worship host; Tech Team; Chancel Choir; Kevin Lynch, accompanist; Dan King, Director of Music Ministries.

Calendar and Notices

Sun, Nov 8	9:15 am Sunday Scripture 10:00 am Sunday Worship (Sanctuary) 11:00 am CPR/AED/Stroke ID presentation (Berdan Hall)
Mon, Nov 9	7:30 pm Consistory meeting (Parlor)
Tue, Nov 10	9:15 am Helping Hands
Wed, Nov 11	7:00 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal
Thu, Nov 12	12:00 pm Brown Bags and Bibles
Sun, Nov 15	9:15 am Sunday Scripture 10:00 am Sunday Worship (Sanctuary) 11:00 am Annual Congregational Meeting and Soup Luncheon (Berdan Hall) 11:30 am Youth Group (Oxbow)

***Please include in your prayers of intercession**: Jen Graf, Bob Janney, Rafael Sanchez (Rita and Bob Janney's brother-in-law)*, *Nancy Frank and her friend, Trina, Bill Mariniello, Tom McKay (Jennie Franklyn's father), Janet Wright, Priscilla Durkin, Judi (Roben Roon's cousin), Jac Young (Glenn O'Connell's uncle), Skip Dahl, Peggy Carroll, Cindy Van Lunen, June Jesch, Tiffany Nix and her brother, Donald, and those awaiting diagnosis or undergoing treatments.*

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Terry Lummer in memory of Gary Lummer.

Due to an overwhelming need, we are continuing the coat drive for the Bessie Green Community (men's, women's, kids' and teens' sizes). Please leave donations on the Giving Table in the parlor.

Wayne Township Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service…All are welcome to attend a special service on **Tuesday, November 24 at 7 PM at Temple Beth Tikvah** as we come together in gratitude, friendship, and community to celebrate Thanksgiving and share the warmth and joy of the holiday with our neighbors and

friends. Please bring non-perishable items for the WIN Food Pantry. We look forward to celebrating with you!

Everyone is welcome to attend the **Annual Congregational Meeting and Soup Luncheon** in Berdan Hall next Sunday, Nov 15, after worship. If you would like to contribute to our luncheon, we need soups in a crockpot ("pre-warmed" at home), bread for dipping, and desserts. Please sign up in the hallway or contact Barbara De Berry directly at (973) 615-1308 / BarbaraDeBerry62@gmail.com.

It's time to place your orders for fresh apple cider and donuts in support of the RISE organization in Risingville, NY. See flyer below for details, and contact Brandon D. at (201) 248-4952 with any questions! **Last date to order is Nov 18!**

RISE



Cider and Donuts Fundraiser 2026

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November 22 | 11-12

ITEM	PRICE
Cider: 1 gallon	$15.00
Donuts: 1 dozen	$15.00
Cider: ½ gallon	$10.00
Donuts: ½ dozen	$10.00



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Morristown Presbyterian
Preakness Reformed
Vincent United Methodist



Scan here to order!

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Assisting in Worship

	Nov 8	Nov 15
Flowers	Heather Kroll	Ken De Berry
Counter	Ken De Berry	Amanda Declet
Head Usher	Heather Kroll	Amanda Declet
Usher	Parker Weston	Junior/Juliet Declet
	Bill Weston	Marty Mariniello

Consistory

Elders		**Deacons**	
Amanda Declet	Hannah Kudrik	Ken De Berry	Jessica Amato
Priscilla Durkin	Donna McKeon	Jennifer Graf	Gaye Servideo
Jennie Franklyn	Glenn O'Connell	Tom Powers	Vicki Lefelar
Bill Weston	Heather Kroll	Tim Coyne	Christina Gaboda
		Martin McKay	

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